

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2957 - HB 3335

February 23, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development to submit proposed changes to the rules for medical cost containment and the medical fee schedule to the Cost Containment Committee and Advisory Council for review. The bill also requires the Commissioner to file an annual report on the adequacy of health care provider networks in the workers' compensation system and the impact on the medical fee schedule and revisions with the Special Joint Committee of the General Assembly on Workers' Compensation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures – \$68,590 Recurring
 \$2,000 One-time**

Assumption:

- The duties established in the bill including the annual report requirement on the adequacy of health care provider networks will require one additional Statistical Analyst Supervisor position and related expenses.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James W. White". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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